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From: San Diego  
Squad 15

Contact: SA [REDACTED]

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(S) Case ID #: (S/NF/OC) [REDACTED] (Pending)

Title: (S/NF/OC) SHAREEF ABDULMUTTALEB EL-ARBI (USPER)  
IT-UBL/AL-QAEDA

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(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ [REDACTED] became a subject of interest to the FBI San Diego Office subsequent to the arrest of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] surfaced out of the investigation from the 09/11/2001, attacks because of their association to the hijackers, Nawaf Al-Hazmi and Khalid Almhldhar on Flight 77.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ As background, on 09/11/2001, American Airlines representatives provided to FBI Headquarters the passenger manifest for American Airlines Flight #77. The names Nawaf Al-Hazmi and Khalid Al-Midhar were included on the passenger manifest.

(U) ~~(S/NF/OC)~~ On 09/12/2001, the Washington Field Office of the FBI was notified by the Dulles Airport Police that a suspicious vehicle was found at the Dulles International Airport located in the

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Hourly Lot, Row G, Herndon, Virginia. The suspicious vehicle was described as a 1998 Toyota.

(U) (S/NF/OC) Department of Motor Vehicle (DMV) records determined the 1988 Toyota, with California license plates, Vehicle Identification Number JT2AE92E9J3137546, was registered to Nawaf Al-Hazmi, 8451 Mt. Vernon Way, Lemon Grove, California.

(S) (U) (S/NF/OC) The vehicle was searched by agents and found to contain a medical prescription for Khalid Al-Midhar, from [REDACTED] [REDACTED] San Diego, California, a receipt for car service at California Motor Works, San Diego, California, signed by Khalid Al-Midhar, and an insurance card for Khalid Al-Midhar. Subsequent investigation determined that both Al-Hazmi and Al-Midhar resided in San Diego in 1999 and 2000.

(U) (S/NF/OC) Also found during the search of Al-Hazmi's vehicle was a piece of paper with [REDACTED] written on it. Subsequent search of telephone databases revealed that the telephone number [REDACTED] was subscribed to [REDACTED].

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(U) (S/NF/OC) On 09/20/2001, FBI agents located and interviewed [REDACTED] in La Mesa, California. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(U) (S/NF/OC) [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

(U) (S/NF/OC) Investigation by FBI determined that [REDACTED] helped acclimate Al-Hazmi and Al-Midhar to the San Diego area and provided assistance with their travel arrangements and flight lessons.

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(U) (S/NF/OC) On 09/21/2001, Mohdar Abdullah was arrested on a Material Witness warrant for Penttbomb issued out of the Southern District of New York, after he declined to take a polygraph examination. Abdullah's vehicle was subsequently seized. During the inventory search, a spiral notebook was obtained, which referenced planes falling from the sky, mass killings and hijacking.

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